DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



Food and Drug Administration Rockville, MD 20857

NDA 20-699/S-054, 057

Wyeth Pharmaceuticals Attention: Dr. Qingha (Sarah) Ji Senior Regulatory Specialist Worldwide Regulatory Affairs P.O. Box 8299 Philadelphia, PA 19101

Dear Dr. Ji:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug applications dated September 29, 2004, received September 29, 2004, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for Effexor XR (venlafaxine HCL) Extended-Release Capsules.

Your submission of September 23, 2005 constituted a complete response to our July 15, 2005 action letter.

These supplemental new drug applications provide for the use of Effexor XR in the treatment of long-term and short-term panic disorder.

We have completed our review of these applications, as amended. These applications are approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the agreed-upon labeling text.

The final printed labeling (FPL) must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert).

Please submit an electronic version of the FPL according to the guidance for industry titled *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format - NDA*. Alternatively, you may submit 20 paper copies of the FPL as soon as it is available but no more than 30 days after it is printed. Individually mount 15 of the copies on heavy-weight paper or similar material. For administrative purposes, designate these submissions "**FPL for approved supplement NDA 20-699/S-054, 057**." Approval of these submissions by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

Pediatric Research Equity Act (PREA)

All applications for new active ingredients, new dosage forms, new indications, new routes of administration, and new dosing regimens are required to contain an assessment of the safety and effectiveness of the product in pediatric patients unless this requirement is waived or deferred. We are waiving the pediatric study requirement for this application.

Promotional Materials

In addition, submit three copies of the introductory promotional materials that you propose to use for these products. Submit all proposed materials in draft or mock-up form, not final print. Send one copy to this division/ the Division of Psychiatry Products and two copies of both the promotional materials and the package insert directly to:

Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications, HFD-42 Food and Drug Administration 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

If you issue a letter communicating important information about this drug product (i.e., a "Dear Health Care Professional" letter), we request that you submit a copy of the letter to this NDA and a copy to the following address:

MEDWATCH, HFD-410 FDA 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).

If you have any questions, call Susan Player, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 796-2260.

Sincerely,

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Thomas Laughren, M.D.
Director
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